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POKES FUN AT IT.

Boston Globe Ridicules Muck Rake Attack on Fisheries.

On two occasions this week the Boston Herald, editorially, under the guise of attacking the alleged uncleanness of the manner of handling and curing fish has wielded the muck rake in a most frenzied manner, the whole attack being a most evident effort to strike at Senator Lodge over the shoulder of the fish dealers, because, it would seem, of the latter's denunciation of packing house methods.

The attitude of the Boston Herald toward the American fisheries and particularly that part of it centering Gloucester is too well known all over New England to make comment necessary, so any of its attacks upon the industry or on those who defend it in the halls of Congress has come to be looked upon by those who follow the matter as something to be periodically expected.

The mention of the New England fishing industry, Senator Lodge and Congressman Gardner to the Boston Herald is equivalent to shaking a red rag at a bull. Its last attack above referred to was the most violent and dirty it has made for some time, and today the Boston Globe editorially refers to it in the following manner under the caption, "Piscatorial Muck-Raking."

"Having temporarily taken the edge off the public's appetite for Paekingtown beef, the muck-rakers have now turned their attention to the fish business, and to the T-wharf and Gloucester end of the business at that.

"Even the use of the Tillmanesque pitchfork, as time-honored an implement in the hands of the handler of fish as is the trident in the grasp of Neptune, comes in for criticism, the inference being that the critic would like to have the fish men take each denizen of the deep gently by the tail, and with suitable apologies tenderly deposit it in a bed of sterilized sea moss.

"The fishermen of Gloucester and Boston are naturally inquiring with righteous indignation whether they are expected to conduct their business during the afternoon in frock coats and evenings in dress suits, with white kid gloves worn on all occasions. Give us a rest!"

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NOTHING TO IT.

St. John's Report of Our Vessels Breaking Laws.

Cutter Reports No Infractions of the Regulations.

A St. John's, N. F. firm had a dispatch a few days ago, says the St. John's, N. F. Herald, "that about 40 American crafts are now on our Labrador coast between Blanc Sablon and Forteau, interfering with our fishermen in the prosecution of their work, and refusing to comply with any rules or regulations of our government. They contend that they have rights on the coast and are going to fish there without paying customs or any other dues. It is said that there is likely to be friction between our people and them, if they prevent our folk from fishing on the usual grounds. The Neptune with Hon. Eli Dawe and Commissioner T. Bona should now be near the scene."

As it happened the cutter Neptune arrived back at St. John's three days after this above dispatch was given out, and although she had been way around the island, so had seen or heard of no infractions of the colony's regulations by Americans.

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DAILY TIMES FISH BUREAU.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Etta Mildred, via Boston.
- Sch. Volant, Georges, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish, 8000 lbs. salt fish, 8000 lbs. halibut.
- Sch. David Sherman, via Boston, 19,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Walter P. Goulart, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Thomas A. Cromwell, via Boston, 45,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Sylph, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Gladys and Sabra, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Hortense, via Boston, 30,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Alert, seining.
- Steamer Herbert and Emma, Ipswich Bay, 4000 fresh mackerel.

Today's Fish Market.

These prices are based on the last known sales.

Spilling prices of fresh fish; Large Eastern cod, \$1.75; medium do., \$1.25; large Western cod, \$2.00; medium do., \$1.37 1-2; haddock, 85 cts.; cusk, \$1.25; hake, 80 cts.; pollock, 65 cts.

Bank halibut, 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium.

Salt Trawl Georges codfish, \$3.75 for large \$3.25 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.12 1-2

Salt haddock, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, \$2.00.

Salt pollock, \$1.25.

Large salt "drift" Georges codfish, \$3.50; medium do., \$2.50; snappers, \$1.62 1-2.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.25 for large, \$2.25 for medium, snappers \$1.50.

Fresh Old England hake, 50 cts. per bbl.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Large fresh mackerel 14 cts. each.

Fresh medium mackerel 3 cts. each.

Fresh spike mackerel, \$1 per bbl.

Boston.

- Sch. Lucy B., 1000 haddock.
- Sch. Hattie G. Knowlton, 21 swordfish.
- Sch. Isaac Collins, 1300 cod.
- Sch. Viking, 32,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Mattakeesett, 500 large fresh mackerel, 3500 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Olive F. Hutchings, 25,000 haddock, 3000 cod.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, 60,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Priscilla Smith, 11,000 large fresh mackerel, 40 bbls. salt mackerel.

Haddock, \$1 per cwt.; large cod, \$2.50; market cod, \$1; fresh mackerel, 14 cts. each for large, 4 cts. for small; swordfish, 4 cts. per lb.

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Foreign Salt Bankers Doing Poorly.

Capt. Daniel McDonald of sch. Squant which arrived from the Banks recently reports seeing several of the Portuguese and other foreign salt bankers in long tude 70 west, recently and that the most of them have been doing poorly, having found fish scarce

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Fine Stock.

Sch. Agnes, Capt. John Martin, stocked \$2762 as the result of her recent short halibut trip, the crew sharing \$63.64. The craft weighed off 61,000 pounds of halibut and 5000 pounds of salt cod.

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FROM SOUTH SHOAL.

Sch. Norma at Boston with Fare of Large Mackerel.

Big Schools of Spike Mackerel Now Off Chatham.

Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Capt. Frank H. Hall, arrived here last evening with 20 barrels of salt mackerel and 87 barrels of fresh spike mackerel. Capt. Hall said he had cruised all about and had seen very few fish, although one could hear of mackerel at many points. He left out to the South Shoal lightship Wednesday night and left about 20 sail of the fleet there, scattered from five miles outside to 20 miles northwest of the lightship. Several of the vessels there had come from off Cape Sable and Yarmouth and had found little or nothing at the former localities, although it was foggy all the time they were down there and they did not have much chance to look. Sch. Mary E. Harty had a set there and took 100 barrels of herring and a dory load of mackerel.

The vessels fishing off the Cape and around the Larcher reported seeing no schools of mackerel. Around the lightship a school would show now and then, but very few hauls had been made and what had been taken had been run to market fresh. On the way home yesterday afternoon, he with a few other vessels ran into a large body of spike mackerel off Chatham. He made a haul of 87 barrels and brought them here for market. These fish are very small and Capt. Hall thought that they would go 1000 to a barrel.

Sch. Shenandoah, Capt. James G. Gannon, arrived at Boston yesterday afternoon with 300 large mackerel, 3000 medium mackerel and about 10,000 spikes, all fresh, and making in all about 70 barrels. The mediums brought 4 cents each.

Sch. Norma, Capt. Benjamin McGray, arrived at Boston last night with a fine trip of 9000 large fresh mackerel in count and 28 barrels of fresh spikes. The large fish were taken off the South Shoal lightship and sold for 16 cents each. The spikes were caught off Chatham while the craft was on her way to market with her large fresh fish.

Sens. Electric Flash, A. M. Nicholson, Lewis H. Giles, Avalon, Fannie E. Prescott, Veda M. McKown, Annie Greenlaw, Forest Maid, Natalie J. Nelson, Terra Nova and Lizzie Maud and sloop Azorean were at Yarmouth, N. S., on Monday and sailed from there next day.

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HIGH LINE SEINER.

Sch. Natalie B. Nickerson Has Stocked \$9300.

Got \$3000 on Fresh Trip at Newport on Sunday.

The gasoline auxiliary seiner Natalie B. Nickerson, Capt. John S. Seavey, of Boothbay Harbor, is at present the high-liner of the mackerel seining fleet with a gross stock of \$9300. On her last trip, a good one, landed fresh at Newport, the Nickerson stocked \$3000, thus giving her stock quite a boost to the above figures. Capt. Seavey is a well known mackerel seiner, one of the front rank hustlers and it now looks as though he would be in the running when the season is finished.

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CAPLIN AT MIQUELON.

Three American Bankers Failed To Pay Port Charges.

Newfoundland Bankers Got Bait and Liable to a Fine.

A special to the Times from its St. Pierre, Miquelon, correspondent and dated a few days ago, states that caplin are now very plentiful in the waters around the island, and there is also a plentiful stock of ice on hand at St. Pierre. Our correspondent also states that three American bankers baited a few days ago and sailed without paying port charges. On this account they are liable to a fine.

The French vessels are doing remarkably well and so far are ahead of last year. Many Newfoundland craft are reported to have secured their bait in Miquelon waters at the risk of severe punishment if discovered and taken.

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THE FAILURE OF OTTER TRAWLING IN THESE WATERS.

The statement of Capt. H. Dexter Malone, published in the Times of Wednesday, regarding the failure of the steam otter trawler Spray in these waters, should be read carefully by all who are interested in the development of the New England fisheries, as well as those who, with little knowledge of the matter of market fishing on this side of the Atlantic, have persistently stuck to it that the plan was a success and that failure was impossible, and as their strongest argument cited the immense fleet of steam otter trawlers used in English waters and operated at a profit.

The opinion of Capt. Malone, who went first to England and stayed there many months familiarizing himself with the method of fishing and the hundred and one details incident to running one of the steam fishing craft successfully and who has commanded the Spray ever since she started last November, can be taken as coming from one who is entitled to speak with authority.

In the past fifteen years few, if any master mariner has made more of a success of fresh fishing than Capt. Malone. The success he has attained, financially and otherwise, as well as the remarkable year's works he has made, all go to prove his standing in the front rank of successful fishermen, so that his opinion naturally is of great weight and will be accepted by the New England fishing interest generally as authoritative. He is a very conservative man, one given to talking but very little, so his careful summing up of the various points regarding the method of fishing and its adaptability to fishing in these waters and its chances of success, ending with the conclusion that it will be many years before the steam trawlers will succeed the sailing trawlers here, can be accepted as the opinion of a most conservative, capable man, who has tried the plan, given it a long fair trial, and has not made it a success.

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His remarks regarding the difference in price here and in England seems to him to be one of the principal reasons, and this is illustrated by the fact that although the Spray, in six months, has landed more fish than any English trawler gets in a year, yet she has far from reached the stock they make. He also claims that there is only a slight advantage to be gained by steam over sailing power in fishing, and adds also that with a fair wind, one of present type of sailing fishermen could beat the Spray four hours to market from South Channel. He cites that a sailing trawler can cover much more ground with her trawls than can the otter trawler and also, on account of insufficient men, that the latter is at a disadvantage in dressing fish.

The striking of a rough and rocky ground and the tearing of the trawl on it, as well as on submerged wrecks, is also cited, and a strong point is made of the poor condition of the catch when it reaches market, as compared with the fish landed by the sailing trawlers, is made a strong point. Capt. Malone draws comparisons and gives good reasons for all his deductions. He modestly adds that perhaps some other skipper may get better results out of the Spray than he did, although he did the best he could, which is characteristic of him, but any and all acquainted with New England fisheries will say, "If Capt. Malone could not make a success of the Spaay, there is little use to think of her being made a success."

The opinions of Capt. Malone regarding the craft and her method of fishing as well as the conclusion he arrives at are confirmatory of what the Times has all along expressed regarding the venture. When he says that month for month a sailing trawler can land more fish than a steam otter trawler, he expresses what every skipper and fisherman in the fleet believes and what has, with no reflection of Capt. Malone's ability, been clearly shown the past six months.

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ON FISHERY TROUBLES.

Capt. Gardner Had Important Interview with B. A. Smith.

Congressman and Fisheries Bureau To Present Strong Case.

Mr. Benjamin A. Smith of the Gorton-Paw Fisheries Co., who has been in Washington for a few days, in consultation with Congressman Gardner regarding matters concerning Newfoundland's attitude toward our fishermen and fishing vessels, arrived home yesterday.

Mr. Smith found Congressman Gardner up to his eyes in work incident to the closing week of Congress and also in the heat of the fight on his immigration bill, but the congressman found time to go into the Newfoundland matter thoroughly.

For a long time Congressman Gardner has continually reminded the state department that the matter has been in an unsettled state and has urged action. Recent events have made it possible for the department to make

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a move looking toward a settlement, or of stating and defining this country's position, and last week Congressman Gardner had a long and important conference with Secretary Root on the matter, with the result that Mr. Smith was sent for to come on and consider the matter with the congressman.

He found that the matter had advanced so far that Congressman Gardner was to submit a statement to the state department, setting forth the contentions of our rights under the treaty of 1818 and as opposed to many of the present local fishery regulations of Newfoundland and the new foreign fisheries act, recently passed.

The conference of the congressman and Mr. Smith had to do with these points. The latter's broad and accurate knowledge of all the points in the matter was called into service by the congressman, who himself has a surprising general understanding of the matter. No detail was overlooked or omitted, and it can be safely said that the representation which Congressman Gardner will make in writing on the whole matter to the state department will be one of the most exhaustive and carefully prepared documents ever submitted on the fishery differences of this country and Newfoundland. Beside this Congressman Gardner and Mr. Smith also held a conference with state department officials on the matter.

The representative will not only take up all possible points but will frankly state just what the American fishing vessels propose to do this coming fall and leaves nothing to conjecture. The document will be presented by Congressman Gardner to the state department today.

The American fishermen's side of the matter will also be presented to the state department by a very thorough and comprehensive report on all the points at issue from the Bureau of Fisheries. Many of the points touched on will be regarded from actual observation and knowledge of officials of the Bureau of Fisheries and will be a strong document.

Mr. Arthur L. Millett, who accompanied Mr. Smith on the trip, also participated in the conferences with Capt. Gardner and the state department officials, and was also on duty for some time at the Bureau of Fisheries on matters connected with its report on the same subject to the state department, he being the local agent of the fisheries bureau.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

- Sch. Ralph L. Hall, Cape Cod shore, 87 bbls. fresh spike mackerel, 15 bbls. salt mackerel.
- Sch. Marshall L. Adams, via Boston, 55,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. William H. Rider, via Boston, 20,000 lbs. fresh cod.
- Sch. S. F. Maker, South Shoal, 20 bbls. salt mackerel.
- Sch. Flora J. Sears, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Catherine G. Burke, via Boston, 50,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Thomas Brundage, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Rebecca, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Olympia, via Boston, 15,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sch. Frank Munroe, via Boston, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish.
- Sloop Gardner Heath, shore.
- Sch. Mertis H. Perry, shore.

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Todays Fish Market.

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Bank halibut, 7 cts. per lb. for white and 5 cts. for gray.

Salt handline Georges codfish, \$4.25 per cwt. for large, \$3.25 for medium.

Salt Trawl Georges codfish, \$3.75 for large \$3.25 for medium.

Salt hake, \$1.12 1-2

Salt haddock, \$1.50.

Salt cusk, \$2.00.

Salt pollock, \$1.25.

Large salt "drift" Georges codfish, \$3.50; medium do., \$2.50; snappers, \$1.62 1-2.

Salt trawl bank codfish, \$3.25 for large, \$2.25 for medium, snappers \$1.50.

Fresh Old England hake, 50 cts. per bbl.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Large fresh mackerel, 26 cents each.

Small fresh mackerel, 5 cents each.

Boston.

Sch. Norma, 9000 large fresh mackerel, 128 bbls. fresh spikes.

Sch. Shenandoah, 500 large fresh mackerel, 1000 fresh medium mackerel, 125 bbls. fresh spikes.

Sch. Etta Mildred, 2400 haddock, 6000 cod, 300 halibut.

Sch. Sylph, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Joseph, 1000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Emilia Enos, 5000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Walter P. Goulart, 35,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Pythian, 25,000, 6000 cod.

Haddock, \$1; large cod, \$2.25; market cod, \$2.26; large fresh mackerel, 16 cts. each.

Fishing Fleet Movements.

Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell is fitting for a dory handline salt fishing trip under command of Capt. Thomas Benham.

Sch. Tattler is being fitted for a dory handline salt bank trip under command of Capt. Alden Geel.

Sch. Preceptor is being fitted for fresh halibuting.

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MACKEREL ARE SHY.

Only One Good Trip Arrived Here Yesterday Forenoon.

Sch. Effie M. Prior Took School of 12,000 Large Fish.

The following fares of mackerel are at Boston today:

Steamer Elthier, 5000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Gertrude, 25 barrels fresh mackerel, 4 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Seaconnet, 34 bbls. salt Cape Shore mackerel, 1200 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 1200 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Capt. Elroy Prior, arrived here yesterday from the Rips, with a fine fare of 12,000 large fresh mackerel in count. The fare sold to the Gloucester Fresh Fish Company and were shipped to Boston yesterday on the steamer Cape Ann and will be on the market today.

Schs. Kentucky with 66 barrels of salt mackerel, sch. Arthur Binney with 25 barrels of salt mackerel and sch. Monitor with nine barrels of salt mackerel arrived at this port this morning.

The fare of sch. Arthur Binney sold to Gorton-Pew Fisheries Co. at \$13 per barrel

The fare of sch. Alert, 25 barrels, sold to Fred Bradley at \$13 per bbl. for large, \$11 per bbl. for medium and \$5 per barrel for spikes.

The fare of salt mackerel of sch. Kentucky sold to the Gloucester Mackerel Company for a lump sum.

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QUICK WORK.

Sch. Norma Back at Boston with Another Mackerel Trip.

Sch. Norma, Capt. Benjamin McGray, which was at Boston yesterday forenoon with a fine trip of big mackerel, is back at T wharf this noon with a fare of 6000 medium fresh mackerel, taken this morning in Boston Bay. The fish are selling at 2 1-2 cents each.

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Halibut Sale.

The fare of sch. Lelia E. Norwood sold to the New England Fish Company at 7 cents per pound for white and 5 cents for gray.

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Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

Sch. Independence II., Banks, 250,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Lelia E. Norwood, Georges, 10,000 lbs. fresh fish, 20,000 lbs. salt fish, 6000 lbs. halibut.

Sch. Kentucky, South Shoal, 66 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Monitor, South Shoal, 9 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. James R. Clark, Rips, 40,000 lbs. salt cod.

Sch. Effie M. Prior, Rips, 12,000 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Flora S. Nickerson, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.

Sch. Viking, via Boston, 25,000 lbs. fresh fish.

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Sch. Isaac Collins, via Boston. Steamer Bryda F., Ipswich Bay, 60 bbls. shad.

Steamer Herbert and Emma, Ipswich Bay, 40 bbls. shad.

Sch. Arthur Binney, seining, 25 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Edna Wallace Hopper, seining.

Sch. Helen G. Wells, seining.

Sch. Mary Emerson, netting.

Sch. Northern Eagle, seining.

Sch. Annie and Jennie, shore.

Sch. Arrow, netting.

Merchant Bros. steamer 40 bbls. shad.

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Fresh Old England hake, 50 cts. per bbl.

Salt Cape Shore mackerel, \$13 per bbl.

Salt large mackerel \$13 per bbl.

Salt medium mackerel \$11 per bbl.

Salt spike mackerel, \$5 per bbl.

Boston.

Sch. Mattie Brundage, 30,000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Alice M. Guthrie, 45,000 haddock, 6000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Agnes V. Gleason, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Henrietta G. Martin, 16,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 1000 hake.

Sch. Azorean, 500 haddock, 2000 pollock.

Sch. Eva Avina, 1000 haddock, 4000 pollock.

Sch. Philip P. Manta, 3000 haddock, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Francis Whalen, 60,000 haddock, 8000 cod.

Sch. M. Madeleine, 1200 large fresh mackerel.

Sch. Richard J. Nunan, 35,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 5000 hake.

Sch. Aleina, 12,000 cod.

Sch. Mary E. Cooney, 25,000 haddock, 2000 cod.

Sch. Catherine and Ellen, 50,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 5000 hake, 5000 cusk.

Sch. Buena, 25,000 haddock, 4000 cod, 6000 hake.

Sch. Boyd and Leeds, 14,000 cod.

Sch. Elthier, 5000 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Helen B. Thomas, 15,000 haddock, 2000 cod, 2000 hake.

Sch. Galatea, 27,000 cod.

Sch. Elsie F. Rowe, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Rose Cabral, 4000 haddock, 5000 cod.

Sch. Gov. Russell, 25,000 haddock.

Sch. Arbitrator, 4000 haddock, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Pearl, 900 haddock, 200 cod, 300 hake.

Sch. Mary J. Ward, 400 cod, 1500 pollock, 1000 halibut.

Sch. John M. Keen, 17,000 cod.

Sch. Rose Standish, 16,000 cod.

Sch. Gertrude, 25 bbls. fresh mackerel, 4 bbls. salt mackerel.

Sch. Mary Edith, 25,000 haddock, 5000 cod, 10,000 hake.

Sch. E. C. Hussey, 20,000 cod.

Sch. Seaconnet, 34 bbls. salt mackerel 1200 fresh medium mackerel.

Sch. Mildred V. Nunan, 48 swordfish.

Sch. Margaret Dillon, 94 swordfish.

BRIEFS FILED.

State Department Received Fishery Statements Yesterday.

Were Prepared by Cong. Gardner and Bureau of Fisheries.

Representative Gardner yesterday filed with Secretary Root his brief in the case of the Gloucester fishermen, on the action of the Newfoundland authorities in enforcing police regulations against American fishermen in violation of treaty rights.

This brief will not be made public. It will serve as the basis for the action which, it is said, the state department intends taking this summer.

The United States Bureau of Fisheries, which has also prepared a brief on the same matter, filed its report yesterday with the state department.